

Reception's Learning for Autumn 2

Our book sequence for this half term is
Bedtime for Monsters by Ed Vere



This term we will be using the story to explore a range of feelings and emotions and how our bodies show these feelings. We will also be continuing to explore our outdoor area and forest school to investigate the changing seasons, to look at different journeys. How do we travel? Where might we go?

We also be recapping our prior knowledge of Diwali, exploring the Christmas celebration and the tradition of Bonfire Night and Remembrance Day.



Vocabulary we will hear and begin to use.

Diwali	The Hindu Festival of Light.
Christmas	The Christian celebration of Jesus' birth.
Remembrance Day	People honour soldiers on this day.
Bonfire Night	5th November. English tradition of bonfire and fireworks.
Journey	Travelling from one place to another.
Emotions	A strong feeling.

Tricky Words

'Tricky words' sometimes have unusual spellings or do not follow usual phonemic rules. Children are exposed to tricky words frequently whilst reading and therefore need to practice them. The following words are the tricky words we are learning this half term:

I the is
and has as his her
go no into
she he of we me be

Let's Celebrate!

Our theme for the half term is **Let's Celebrate!**

We will create art to represent fireworks, poppies and Christmas traditions.

We will encourage imaginative and narrative play as the children retell the story of the nativity.

We will also be very busy learning a Nativity script and songs to perform for you on **Monday 4th December!**

Little Wandle Phonics

During our daily phonics, your child will practise their grapheme/phoneme correspondence and learn the following:

ff

zz

ll

qu

ss

words ending in 's'

j

sh

v

th

w

ng

x

nk

y

z

words ending in 's' that make the z sound.



Please support your child with their phonics at home.

<https://www.littlewandlelettersandsound.org.uk/resources/for-parents/>

Your child's teacher is also on hand to discuss ways you can help.

Maths

Number –

We will investigate the numbers 3,4 and 5. Exploring their composition and comparing these numbers. We will be looking at the properties of shapes and language we can use to describe them, such as straight or curved sides. We will also use and understand positional language such as above, next to, below and under as we explore the monster's journey through the book.

Subitising –

We will practice the skill of quick recognition of up to 5 objects without having to count. You can practise at home too!

Additional learning at home:

<https://www.ncetm.org.uk/classroom-resources/ey-numberblocks-at-home/>

Can you find the number of the week at home, on your way to nursery or in a shop? How many objects/fingers can you subitise?

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Welcome back to Reception!

We hope you have had relaxing and fun time off and are ready for our next term!

This term is a busy but exciting one!

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to talk to a member of the reception team on the door or message via Class Dojo.

Home Learning

Can you draw or make your own monster at home using boxes or any other creative materials you might have in your home. Decorate your monster, give them a name by using your phonics and send it into school or a photo on Dojo!



I am Pog!

Reading Books

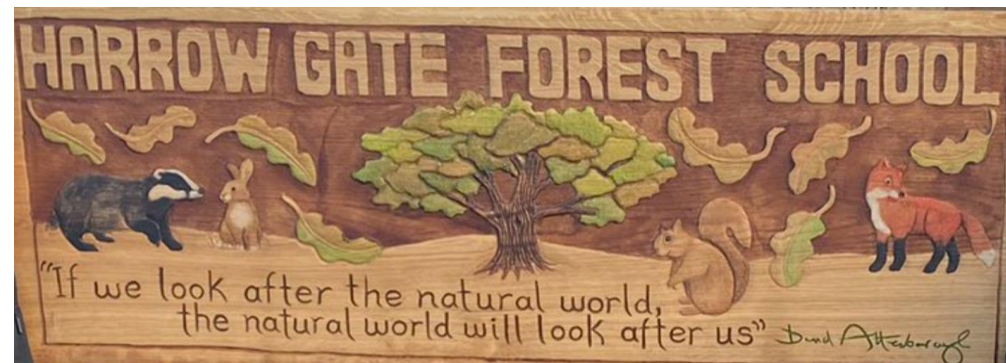
We have introduced reading books in class. The books are carefully matched to the grapheme/phonemes the children secure in recognising. Once your child has read the book in class, it will be sent home for you to listen to your child read it.

It is so important that you are reading at home with your child as much as possible.

To encourage a love of reading, we are also launching our **Lending Library** (located in the cloakroom). Please choose a book with your child to share at home together!

PE – Balance Bikes

To support children's physical, gross-motor development and spatial awareness, the children take part in Balance Bike sessions on **Thursdays**.



Forest School sessions offer the opportunity for children to become completely immersed in the natural environment, develop their physical, problem-solving and communication skills.



Forest School will take place once a fortnight on **Tuesdays**. Please ensure that your child wears comfortable and appropriate clothing on this day. Children's legs and arms must be covered so long sleeves and trousers or leggings are a must. We will provide children with waterproof suits. We have some spare wellies, but not enough for everyone, so if your child has a pair at home, we would appreciate you sending them in. Children can leave wellies at school as these are use daily. It is important that they are prepared for all weathers as we will always be going outside.

Please can we remind parents and carers to put your child's name in their jumpers and cardigans as this makes it easier- Thank you.